GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – PR&RD Department – Allegations of irregularities in execution of (IHHLs) personal toilets in Kamavarapukota Gram Panchayat, West Godavari District -Departmental action against Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja Parishad Kamavarapulota Mandal, West Godavari District under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Clarification, Control and Appeal) 1991 –Article of Charges – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 185 Dated: 31-03-2020

Read the following:

1. From the Director General, General Administration (V&E) Dept, Vigilance Report No.11(516/V&E/E/2017), Dated: 21.4.2018.
2. From the Chief Executive Officer,Zilla Praja Parisahd, Lr.Rc.No.H1/4896/2018,,Dt. .12.2018.
3. G.O.Ms.No.614, PR&RD(Vig.III) Deptt., dt.31.03.2020.

ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja Parishad Kamavarapulota Mandal, West Godavari District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charges (Annexure-I). A statement of the imputations of is conduct or misbehaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III and IV).

3. Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja Parishad Kamavarapukota Mandal, West Godavari District is directed to submit his written statement of defense within (10) days from the date of receipt of this order.

4. Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja Parishad Kamavarapukota Mandal, West Godavari District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja ParishadKamavarapukota Mandal, West Godavari District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification,Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 or the order/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiry Authority may hold the inquiry against him exparte, based on the material available on record.

6. Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja Parishad Kamavarapukota Mandal, West Godavari District is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the

Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja Parishad Kamavarapukota Mandal, West Godavari District and now retired is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules,1964.

7. The receipt of this orders shall be acknowledge along with Annexure-I, II, III & IV forthwith.

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

To
Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)&
E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja Parishad Kamavarapukota Mandal, West
Godavari District through the Commissioner, PR&RD,Tadepalli. Guntur District.

The Commissioner, PR&RD, Tadepalli. Guntur District
(2 Copies) (With a request to serve Original Notice on the charged
Officer with dated signature and send the same for record).
Sf/Sc.

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ANNEXURE –I

STATEMENT SHOWING the OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja ParishadKamavarapukota Mandal, West Godavari District

Charge No.1:

That Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja Parishad Kamavarapukota Mandal, West Godavari District hAs made stage-2 payment to 110 incomplete toilets in Kamavarapukota Gram Panchayat resulting in excess payment of Rs.9,90,000/- to the agencies.

Charge No.2:-

That Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja Parishad Kamavarapukota Mandal, West Godavari District has made payment to one old toilet and to one toilet constructed in non-residential palm oil garden against to the guidelines.

Charge No.3:

That Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja ParishadKamavarapukota Mandal, West Godavari District has paid loan amount for toilets directly to the agencies bank accounts instead of Village organisation's(VOs) Accounts against to the guide lines and failed to repay the loan amount of Rs.59.96 Lakhs into Village Organizations accounts .

Thus Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja ParishadKamavarapukota Mandal, West Godavari District by his above mentioned acts, has exhibited lack of integrity, has not shown devotion to duty and exhibited conduct which is unbecoming on part of a Govt. Servant, in contravention of Rule – 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Hence, the charge.

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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ANNEXURE –II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja ParishadKamavarapulota Mandal,West Godavari District

Charge No.1

According to the procedural aspects given under the IHHLS(Individual House hold latrines) Rules given by the District Collector especially with respect to the online payment, the Mandal Parishad Development Officers has to check several aspects personally before generating FTO(Fund Transfer Order). The delinquent Officer has not given importance to the IHHLS guidelines. He has failed to supervise the execution and progress of the works and made payments to 110 uncompleted toilets without proper checkups. Later, after initiation of Vigilance &Enforcement Department, the MPDO on 09.08.2017 and 27.10.2017 issued Show cause notices to the agencies and asked them to complete the toilets as per the guide lines of the SBM and after wards lodged a Criminal complaint FIR No.247/2017 U/s 420,406 r/w 34 IPC in the Tadikalapudi Police Station against three agencies. All these aspects show that the MPDO has discharged his duties in very negligent manner.

Charge No.2

The delinquent Officer fully deviated all the procedural norms set out with respect to IHHLS and norms for payment . He has made payment to one Smt.K.Siddemma W/o Venkatesu for an old toilet and to other Smt.G.Gangajalam W/o Subba Rao for another toilet constructed in non residential garden which are ineligible.

Charge No.3:

The Delinquent Officer has made payments to the incomplete toilets exhibiting them as completed. Being the payment authority, the MPDO has the opportunity to remit the loan amounts to VOs account. But he paid the amount into the agencies bank accounts directly colluding with them. The Delinquent officer failed to repay the loan amount of Rs.59.96 lakhs into VOs Account though he had the opportunity to remit the same. As per the guide lines of the Managing Director, Streenidi Co-operative Federation Ltd, the Government has to pay interest at 13.50% interest per annum on the loans taken by the members from Sree Nidhi Funds. In this case, the loan amount was not disbursed to the members, but to the agencies whose prime motive was to make profit. Hence, the Government should not liable to pay interest. As the loan amount was not disbursed to the members, the interest should have been recovered from the agencies . But, the delinquent officer failed to recover any interest from the agencies and paid full amount to the agencies without remitting the loan amounts to the VOs account enabling the agencies to make profit.

Thus, Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja ParishadKamavarapulota Mandal, West Godavari District, by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of supervision, integrity, devotion to duty, conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant and thereby violated Rule (3) of APCS(CC&A) Rules,1964.

Hence, the charge.

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ANNEXURE –III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja ParishadKamavarapulota Mandal, West Godavari District ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

Vigilance Report No.11(516/V&E/2017) DT. 21.04.2018 OF GA(V&E)

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ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF WITNESSESS BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST Sri G.R.Manoj, the then Mandal Parishad Development Officer (FAC)& E.O.(PR&RD),Mandal Praja ParishadKamavarapulota Mandal, West Godavari District ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED

- NIL-

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